

I CLAIM:

1. A window assembly, comprising
a window frame including a pair of frame
side portions connected to a pair of frame end portions;
5 at least one sash having a sash frame
including a pair of end rails and a pair of side rails
interconnecting said end rails, said at least one sash
being movable in a plane within said window frame between
a closed position in which one of said end rails is
10 adjacent one of said frame end portions, and an open
position in which said one of said end rails is spaced
from said one of said frame end portions;
a first member projecting from said one of
said frame end portions toward said one of said end
15 rails, said first member having an inner surface facing
in a first direction transverse to said plane;
a second member projecting from said one
of said end rails toward said one of said frame end
portions, said second member having an outer surface
20 facing in a second direction opposite said first
direction;
said first and second members being
positioned adjacent one another in said closed position
of said at least one sash with said inner surface of said
25 first member confronting said outer surface of said
second member so as to prevent movement of said at least
one sash in said second direction.
2. The window assembly as claimed in claim 1,
wherein said first member comprises a rib projecting from
30 said one of said frame end portions.
3. The window assembly as claimed in claim 2,
wherein said rib projects from said one of said frame end
portions continuously from one of said frame side
portions to the other one of said frame side portions.
- 35 4. The window assembly as claimed in claim 3,
wherein said second member comprises a plurality of

structures projecting at spaced intervals from said one of said end rails.

5. The window assembly as claimed in claim 3, wherein said second member comprises a rib projecting
5 from said one of said end rails continuously from one of said side rails to the other one of said side rails.

6. The window assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said first member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at spaced intervals from said one
10 of said frame end portions.

7. The window assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said second member comprises a rib projecting from said one of said end rails.

8. The window assembly as claimed in claim 7,
15 wherein said rib projects from said one of said end rails continuously from one of said side rails to the other one of said side rails.

9. The window assembly as claimed in claim 8, wherein said first member comprises a plurality of
20 structures projecting at spaced intervals from said one of said frame end portions.

10. The window assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said second member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at first spaced intervals from said
25 one of said end rails.

11. The window assembly as claimed in claim 10, wherein said first member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at second spaced intervals from said one of said frame end portions, said second spaced
30 intervals corresponding to said first spaced intervals.

~~12.~~ A window assembly, comprising
a window frame including a pair of frame side portions connected to a pair of frame end portions;
at least one sash having a sash frame
35 including a pair of end rails and a pair of side rails interconnecting said end rails, said at least one sash

being movable in a plane within said window frame between a closed position in which one of said end rails is adjacent one of said frame end portions, and an open position in which said one of said end rails is spaced
5 from said one of said frame end portions;

a projecting member projecting from said one of said frame end portions toward said one of said end rails; and

a recess formed in said one of said end
10 rails and being sized and shaped for receiving said projecting member in said closed position of said at least one sash.

13. The window assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein said projecting member comprises a rib
15 projecting from said one of said frame end portions.

14. The window assembly as claimed in claim 13, wherein said rib projects from said one of said frame end portions continuously from one of said frame side portions to the other one of said frame side portions.

20 15. The window assembly as claimed in claim 14, wherein said recess comprises a channel extending continuously in said one of said end rails from one of said side rails to the other one of said side rails.

25 16. The window assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein said projecting member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at spaced intervals from said one of said frame end portions.

30 17. The window assembly as claimed in claim 16, wherein said recess comprises a channel extending continuously in said one of said end rails from one of said side rails to the other one of side rails.

35 18. The window assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein said projecting member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at first spaced intervals from said one of said frame end portions, and said recess comprises a plurality of recessed portions formed at

second spaced intervals in said one of said end rails, said second spaced intervals corresponding to said first spaced intervals, each one of said plurality of recessed portions being sized and shaped for receiving a corresponding one of said plurality of projecting structures in said closed position of said at least one sash.

19. A window assembly, comprising
a window frame including a pair of frame side portions connected to a pair of frame end portions;
at least one sash having a sash frame including a pair of end rails and a pair of side rails interconnecting said end rails, said at least one sash being movable in a plane within said window frame between a closed position in which one of said end rails is adjacent one of said frame end portions, and an open position in which said one of said end rails is spaced from said one of said frame end portions;
a projecting member projecting from said one of said end rails toward said one of said frame end portions; and
a recess formed in said one of said frame end portions and being sized and shaped for receiving said projecting member in said closed position of said at least one sash.

20. The window assembly as claimed in claim 19, wherein said projecting member comprises a rib projecting from said one of said end rails.

21. The window assembly as claimed in claim 20, wherein said rib projects from said one of said end rails continuously from one of said side rails to the other one of said side rails.

22. The window assembly as claimed in claim 21, wherein said recess comprises a channel extending continuously in said one of said frame end portions from

one of said frame side portions to the other one of said frame side portions.

23. The window assembly as claimed in claim 19, wherein said projecting member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at spaced intervals from said one of said end rails.

24. The window assembly as claimed in claim 23, wherein said recess comprises a channel extending continuously in said one of said frame end portions from one of said frame side portions to the other one of said frame side portions.

25. The window assembly as claimed in claim 19, wherein said projecting member comprises a plurality of structures projecting at first spaced intervals from said one of said end rails, and said recess comprises a plurality of recessed portions formed at second spaced intervals in said one of said frame end portions, said second spaced intervals corresponding to said first spaced intervals, each one of said plurality of recessed portions being sized and shaped for receiving a corresponding one of said plurality of projecting structures in said closed position of said at least one sash.